

CLAIMS

Therefore, having thus described the invention, at least the following is claimed:

- 1           1.       A digital camera, comprising:  
2                   means for capturing at least one image of a scene;  
3                   means for displaying said at least one captured image;  
4                   means for cropping the displayed at least one captured image; and  
5                   means for storing an uncropped portion of the displayed at least one  
6 captured image.
- 1           2        The digital camera recited in claim 1, further comprising means for  
2 deleting a cropped portion of displayed image.
- 1           3.       The digital camera recited in claim 1 wherein said capturing means  
2 captures at least two images of the scene.
- 1           4.       The digital camera recited in claim 3, further comprising means for  
2 merging the two captured images into the displayed image.
- 1           5.       The digital camera recited in claim 1 wherein said at least two images  
2 of the scene are captured sequentially in time.

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1           6.       The digital camera recited in claim 4 wherein said at least two images  
2 of the scene are captured simultaneously.

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1           7.       The digital camera recited in claim 3 wherein said at least two images  
2 have an overlapping image field.

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1           8.       The digital camera recited in claim 3 wherein said at least two images  
2 have substantially the same image field.

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1           9.       A method of controlling the operation of a digital camera, comprising  
2 the steps of:

3                   receiving at least one captured image from a photosensor;

4                   displaying the captured image;

5                   receiving cropping instructions for the displayed image;

6                   storing an uncropped portion of the displayed image.

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1           10.      The method recited in claim 9 further comprising the step of deleting a  
2 cropped portion of the displayed image.

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1           11.      The method recited in claim 9 wherein said receiving step further  
2 comprises receiving at least two captured images from the photosensor.

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1           12.    The method recited in claim 11, further comprising the step of:  
2                   merging the two captured images into the displayed image.

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1           13.    The method recited in claim 11 further comprising the step of  
2 capturing said at least two images sequentially in time.

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1           14.    The method recited in claim 11 further comprising the step of  
2 capturing said at least two images simultaneously.

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1           15.    The method recited in claim 14 wherein said at least two images have  
2 an overlapping image field.

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1           16.    The method recited in claim 12 wherein said two images have the same  
2 image field.

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1           17.    A computer readable medium for controlling the operation of a digital  
2 camera, comprising:

3                   logic that receives at least one captured image from a photosensor;

4                   logic that displays the at least one captured image;

5                   logic that receives cropping instructions for the displayed at least one  
6 captured image;

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- 1           23.    The computer readable medium recited in claim 22 wherein said two  
2   images have the same image field.

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